REMARKS

The Advisory Action dated January 11, 2007 and the Final Office Action dated November 6, 2006 have been received and considered. In this response, claims 13 and 15 have been amended and claims 14 and 20-30 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Support for the amendments may be found in the specification and drawings as originally filed. Reconsideration of the outstanding rejections in the present application is respectfully requested based on the following remarks.

According to the Final Office Action, claims 1-12 and 17-19 are allowable, and claims 14-16 recite allowable subject matter. Claims 13 and 20-30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 103. Although Applicant disagrees with the rejections, in an effort to advance the present application to issuance, claims 20-30 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer, and claim 13 has been amended to recite the elements of allowable claim 14. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

The Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance, and an early indication of the same is courteously solicited. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone at the below listed telephone number in order to expedite resolution of any issues and to expedite passage of the present application to issue, if any comments, questions, or suggestions arise in connection with the present application.

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The Applicant believes no additional fees are due, but if the Commissioner believes additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-0441.

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